



MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: March Joint Powers Authority (Public Agency)
<input type="checkbox"/> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or County Clerk: County of : Riverside Address: County Clerk's Office 2720 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92502-0751	Address 14205 Meridian Parkway, Suite. 140 Riverside, CA 92518 Contact: Jeffrey M. Smith, AICP Phone: 951 656-7000

1. Project Title:	Memorandum of Understanding between the March Joint Powers Authority, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and March Air Reserve Base for the Perris Valley Flood Control and Drainage Project, Lateral B Project, Stages 4 and 5
2. Project Applicant:	March Joint Powers Authority
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15’ or 7 1/2’ topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	NA
4. (a) Project Location – City:	NA
(b) Project Location – County:	Riverside
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	The March Joint Powers Authority (MJPA), the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFCD) and March Air Reserve Base (MARB), wish to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), to work collaboratively to expedite the completion of the Perris Valley Flood Control & Drainage Project, Lateral B Project, Stages 4 & 5. The Project will provide necessary flood control and drainage to the area, comprised of former MARB property controlled by the MJPA and MARB property.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	March Joint Powers Authority
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	March Joint Powers Authority

8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/>	Ministerial project.
(b) <input type="checkbox"/>	Not a project.
(c) <input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Project.
(d) <input type="checkbox"/>	Categorical Exemption. State type and class number:
(e) <input type="checkbox"/>	Declared Emergency.
(f) <input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:
(g) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other. Explanation: Section 15061: Review for Exemption, (b) a project is exempt from CEQA if: (3) The activity is covered by the Common Sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.
9. Reason why project was exempt:	The MOU sets forth the anticipated nonbinding roles of the March Joint Powers Authority, the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and March Air Reserve Base concerning the design and construction of the Lateral B Project. The MOU does not allow for any construction or development of the system until after: 1) the CEQA and NEPA processes are complete, and 2) the required authorizations are obtained. Therefore, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the execution of the MOU in question may have a significant effect on the environment. The proposed Project is consistent with this exemption and therefore, no further action is required under CEQA (Section 15061, (b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines)
10. Lead Agency Contact Person:	Jeffrey M. Smith, AICP Principal Planner March Joint Powers Authority
Telephone:	(951) 656-7000
11.	If filed by applicant: Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form "A") before filing.
12.	Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
13.	Was a public hearing held by the lead agency to consider the exemption? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, the date of the public hearing was: <u>April 28, 2021</u>

Signature:  Date: April 28, 2021 Title: Principal Planner
Jeffrey M. Smith

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing: _____

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21100, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code